CITY COUNCIL

ATLANTA, GEORGIA

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A RESOLUTION

ATLANTA CITY COUNCIL

A Resolution opposing war in Iraq, and calling on the Administration of the United States to seek more peaceful means to settle international differences.

WHEREAS, the United States of America is on the brink of war with Iraq; and

WHEREAS, such action will endanger the worldwide anti-terrorist coalition and de-stabilize the entire Middle Eastern region; and

WHEREAS, January 21, 2003 was designated National Lobby

Day to Stop the War on Iraq and demonstrations were held in major jurisdictions throughout the United States, and around the world, as citizens voiced their opposition to an all out war; and

WHEREAS, in his Christmas address His Holiness Pope John Paul II. expressed the thoughts and feelings of the vast majority of citizens throughout the world when he said ". . . faced with the constant degeneration of the crisis in the Middle East, that the solution will never be imposed by recourse to terrorism or armed conflict, as if military victories could be the solution;" and

WHEREAS, the present Administration has not made a convincing case that we face such an imminent threat to our national security that a unilateral, preemptive American strike and an immediate war are necessary; and

WHEREAS, there are realistic alternatives between doing nothing and declaring unilateral or immediate war. War should be a last resort, not the first response; and

WHEREAS, the President and the Congress of the United States should seek to intensify U.S. efforts to secure a just and lasting peace in the Israeli-Palestinian conflict, a major source of deep anti-U.S. sentiment throughout the Arab world; and

WHEREAS, there should also be developed environmentally sound energy and transportation policies to reduce U. S. dependence on oil, a

driving factor behind U. S. military intervention and violent conflicts in The Persian Gulf region;

WHEREAS, the Charter of the United Nations binds its members "to bring about by peaceful means, and in conformity with the principles of justice and international law, adjustment or settlement of international disputes or situations which might lead to a breach of the peace".

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF ATLANTA, **GEORGIA** as follows:

Section 1: That the President and the Congress of the United States pursue peaceful alternatives to outright war in the Persian Gulf.

That the Atlanta City Council further urges the President and the Congress of the United States to help lead the world out of the wilderness of war and terror and into a new world whereby all nations exercise reverence for life and respect of the international rule of law.

A true copy,

ADOPTED by the Council RETURNED WITHOUT SIGNATURE OF THE MAYOR auphin Johnson APPROVED as per City Charter Section 2-403

FEB 03, 2003

FEB 12, 2003

Atlanta City Council

Regular Session

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